



Christmas Eve

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

LIVE STREAM & IN PERSON

Dec 24 | 10 pm

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First Presbyterian Church of Aberdeen

420 N Broadway, Aberdeen, WA 98520



Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols

10:00 Candlelight Service

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Opening Prayer

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Opening Hymn #41: “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem!
Come, and behold Him,
Born the King of angels!

*O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ, the Lord!*

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,
Born this happy morning,
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing! [Refrain]

Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation!
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all
Glory in the highest! [Refrain]

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7 (From Darkness to Light)

Lighting the Christ Candle

#2: *"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"*

Come, Thou long expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's Strength and Consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear Desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

Second Reading: Micah 5:2-5 (The Messiah Will Come from Bethlehem)

Choir: *"Prepare the Way of the Lord; Emmanuel"*

Third Reading: Luke 1:26-38 (An Angel Comes to Mary)

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#40: *"Joy to the World"* (verses 1-2, 4)

Joy to the world, the Lord is come:
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heaven and nature sing,

And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns:
Let us our songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

Fourth Reading: Luke 2:1-7 (The Birth of Jesus)

"Sweet Little Jesus Boy" (Patty Sundstrom)

Fifth Reading: Luke 2:8-20 (The Angels and Shepherds)

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#31: *"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"*

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King.
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

*Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"*

Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord!
Late in time, behold Him come,
Offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
Hail the incarnate Deity,
Pleased in flesh with us to dwell,
Jesus our Emmanuel. [Refrain]

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that we no more may die.
Born to raise us from the earth,
Born to give us second birth. [Refrain]

Christmas Meditation

"Emmanuel: God With Us"

Lighting of the Candles: Sharing the Light of Christ

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#60: "Silent Night, Holy Night"

*During the fourth verse we will all follow the Christ Candle out of the sanctuary.
Please extinguish your candles and place them in the baskets as you leave.*

Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin mother and Child!
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!"

Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

Silent night, holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!

Postlude

A Note on Candle Lighting

To prevent hot wax spills, lit candles should be kept vertical; the person lighting a candle should tip their candle to the lit one.

*There are offering plates at the back of the sanctuary
if you would like to contribute to the ministries of this church.*

Participants

<i>Pastor</i>	<i>Chuck Guth</i>
<i>Readers</i>	<i>Judy Ball, Steve Cavin Jan Morgan, Jim Rhoads</i>
<i>Pianist</i>	<i>Ann Kiliz</i>
<i>Violinist</i>	<i>Leslie O'Brien</i>
<i>Cellist</i>	<i>John O'Brien</i>
<i>Song Leader/Soloist</i>	<i>Patty Sundstrom</i>

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